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DOMINION TEXTILE COMPANY, LTD.

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REBUTTAL

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COMPETITION - (GENERAL)

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Unhealthy competition is bad for the consuming public

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Heward says that elimination of excessive or unhealthy competition is not detrimental to the consumer

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Commissioner cites Adelaide Steamship case before Privy Council where it is pointed out that there are cases where excessive competition will end in a blow-up

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Heward says over-competition very often raises prices instead of lowering them

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Heward says it is possible that if four old companies merged in 1905 had carried on independently until some of them were bankrupt the excessive competition which existed would have been eliminated or lessened, but with disastrous results to the companies, the shareholders, and to the employees and that an enhancement in price would have followed. Heward submits that the elimination of excessive competition in an orderly and constructive manner was better for all concerned

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It was the unhealthy competition that was forcing these old companies into bankruptcy so that they had to sell at sub-cost prices

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Heward submits that competition is not detrimental to the consumer unless it results in improper increases in prices which the latter pays and that there is no evidence to show that there was such an increase in prices after the merger or that prices were improperly high after the merger

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Heward says a very slight increase in the cost of producing cotton goods in Canada -

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occasioned by higher wages and shorter hours of labour in advance of technological changes would only result in Canadian mills losing more of the domestic market to exporters

18056

Despite a shorter working week the worker of today is earning 65% more per week and has 32 1/2% more purchasing power than in 1920 and this increase has taken place without it being necessary to increase cost of production of goods produced

returned goods as a result of Japanese restrictions

An meeting with Ministers of January 1944 no definite response or definite basis of any needs was laid out to the delegation

Mr. T. H. Bell said that certain parts of the mills would be a safeguard for them until they were able to proceed to Government the value of three imports of steel from Japan

Edward says that latter day and have been explicit enough about a long situation in order to satisfy but to have not 1944 It was intended as a demonstration of the Government or to illustrate the Government

By not running off loose dollars put him- self in a position where he could carry on if there of Japanese restrictions proved impossible, but if the Yanks were not successful, he would have to stop working

Japan's efforts of the type carried on by Tiger & Co. were not produced in short- term but were produced by National Defense

Production of steel was high in 1944 but was stopped by National Defense in October 1944 but not as a result of Japanese competition

71	17925		Heward says delegation to Ottawa undoubtedly made known to Ministers their apprehensions arising out of the Japanese agreement
	17925		Heward says Mr. Dunning felt the textile industry was unduly alarmed about Japanese competition
	17928	18952	Particular cause for alarm was expectation of goods coming in
	17929		One purchaser cancelled order and returned goods on account of Japanese quotations
74	17930		At meeting with Ministers of January 14th no definite reassurance or definite hopes of any remedy were held out to the delegation
74	17932		Marx told Broad Silk Group that curtailments of the mills would be a safeguard for them until they were able to prove to Government the risks of these importations from Japan
79	17939 17944		Heward says that letter may not have been explicit enough about stock situation or order situation; but he does not think it was intended as a demonstration to the Government or to intimidate the Government
	17946		By not running off looms Gordon put himself in a position where he could carry on if fears of Japanese competition proved groundless, but if his fears were not groundless, he would have to stop anyway
	17953	18952	Rayon taffetas of the type quoted on by Fisher & Co. were not produced at Sherbrooke but were produced by Montreal Cottons
	17953	18953	Production of these two lines of taffetas had been stopped by Montreal Cottons in October 1935 but not on account of Japanese competition

Japanese Competition - 3

17962

77,000,000 square yards of cotton goods imported into United States in 1936, came from Japan. In 1935 Japan supplied 36,000,000 square yards of total imports of 63,600,000 square yards

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Imports of cotton goods into Canada from Japan were very small in 1936, but 73,000,000 yards were imported from Great Britain

COMPETITION (JAPANESE)

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64	17898	13968	Value of Japanese yen
66	17903 17906	13971	A.B. Fisher & Co. and Mitsui Company quotations (Ev. p.2064)
67	17905	13971 13968	Rayon goods formerly invoiced at Japanese yen prices representing about 80¢ per lb. are now quoted at about 25¢ per lb.(Ex.142)
68	17906	18947	Imports of artificial silk and mixture fabrics from Japan in first 10 months of 1936 amounted to 291,085 pounds as against 36,689 pounds for same period in 1935
68	17906	18952	Heward thinks Gordon's fears of increasing competition were well founded
	17907	18947	Heward does not think 291,000 pounds is a large amount for 10 months compared with the production
	17907	18947 13971	Japanese have absorbed Philippine Islands market and also Australia
	17909	18946 13974	Heward thinks there is an increasing threat of Japanese competition
	17910		RT-58 not a corresponding fabric to the Japanese 27" plain rayon taffeta
	17915		Heward says Mr. Gordon had New York quotations on Japanese goods before Ja- nuary 15th but did not have any quota- tions from Brown Silk Co. until first part of February (Ev. p. 2062)
	17917		Gordon obtained Japanese prices in New York and worked out what the prices would be in Japan
70	17924	18952	Gordon was alarmed by inquiries which had been received from the trade in Winnipeg and Quebec as to what was going to be done through the Japanese situation

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Sherbrooke plant in 1928 manufactured
tire fabrics, ducks and yarns

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by Fisher & Co. were not produced at
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CAPITAL STRUCTURE

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11	17530		Issue of 48,000 Common shares in 1928. Total number of Common shares outstanding 270,000
11	17531		Value of outstanding bonds \$4,457,000
12	17551		Amounts invested by bondholders were not included in capital investment, but only amounts invested by preferred and common shareholders
	17833		Capital of Dominion Textile turns over slowly (Ex. 1230. p.2)
	17833		Capital of Company in 1936 \$27,820,437.25 Sales of the Company in 1936 \$18,269,296.11
	17833		Capital and sales of Company in 1935
	17865		Howard submits it is not proper to write up assets for temporary fluctuations in value, but that it is quite proper to write up into the Company's books changes in value resulting from a permanent trend in property values
	17865		Write-up was not made before the issue of stock but was made before re-organisation in 1923
	17865		Split of shares three for one following re-organization in 1923 was just a splitting of stock that was in the hands of the shareholders and not a new issue
	17866		New capital taken in in 1922
	17866		Purpose of issue of new stock in 1922 was to obtain working capital to reduce bank loans
	17867		Inducement to shareholders to subscribe was that stock was offered at par at a time when existing shares of the Company were selling above par

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Heward says McRuer's calculation at pages 180 and 182 of his brief showing position of Dominion Textile would have been in had it paid its bond interest, preferred and common stock dividends of 20% per annum on original \$500,000 should be ignored; first, because it is fallacious that all the Company received for original issue of common stock was \$500,000; secondly, because it includes among the earnings of the Company the so-called secret inventory reserve; and thirdly, it is based on supposition that there was over-depreciation and betterments charged to profits amounting to \$16,011,356.89

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Heward submits that even if premises on which the computation is based were not fallacious, the computation would in no way support Mr. McRuer's contention that protective tariffs should be reduced

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Share capital of Company in 1934 was held by 2811 shareholders; average number of shares per shareholder was 103 and 92.8% of all shares were held by shareholders resident in Canada. 76.3% of the outstanding stock is held by shareholders who individually own less than 2% of the total issue

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Earnings and Profits & Loss

<u>Page in</u> <u>Brief</u>	<u>Heward's</u> <u>Argument</u>	<u>McRuer's</u> <u>Rebuttal</u>	<u>S U B J E C T</u>
4	17432	14287	Bearing of return on investment upon question of tariff protection
4	17436	14292	Ratio of earnings to invested capital
7	17454		Improved earnings in first two years after merger were made before good management made its effects fully felt
9	17486		Earnings and dividend records of old companies had been unsatisfactory
10	17512		Statement prepared by Glasco showing invested capital and earnings thereon from 1905 to 1936 (Ex. 1232)
11	17533		Ratio of earnings to invested capital, 1906 to 1936
11	17533	18905	Earnings or profits shown in Ex. 1232 do not include secret reserves, but figures have been adjusted for fluctuations in the reserves
	17540 17804	18905	Company's profits in 1933 \$725,589 instead of loss of \$614,683.36 as shown in page 2 of Ex. 1232; Loss being due to transfer of \$1,000,000 to Investment Reserve
12	17542 17804		Explanation as to how loss of \$614,000 arrived at
12	17543		Transfer of million dollars to Investment Reserve changes the average ratio of earnings to invested capital by less than one-half of 1% when spread over 30 years
12	17544		Gordon says Company's investments have appreciated by about half the amount of the million dollars which was transferred
	17545	18252	Average ratio of earnings to invested capital throughout 31 year period amounted to only 9.12%
	17546		Company operated at about double capacity during war years

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	17546		Average ratio of earnings to invested capital during 31 years (less abnormal war and depression years) was 8.28%
	17547		Average earnings 1927 - 1931 9.61%
			" " 1932 - 1936 4.84%
			" " 1927 - 1936 7.23% (Ex.1232)
	17551		Figures of earnings include all earnings whether distributed or not (Ex. 1232, p.3)
	17553		Average ratio of earnings to invested capital 1906-1936 was 8.05%. For same period (Excluding 1918-1920) the average earnings were 7.56% (Ex. 1356) For ten year period from 1927-1936 6.95%
13	17564	14984 14998	Value of assets behind the investment must be considered, i.e. real present day value lying behind securities in hands of investors
18	17606		Earnings should be commensurate with risk entailed in competitive industry. There should be stability in tariff protection.
18	17607	13992	Manufacturing industry should receive a higher return than a public utility on account of greater risks it runs
19	17608	13993	Earnings at present, in immediate past and near future must be considered in relation to value of investment at time of investigation
19	17615	13995	Earnings put back in the business should be included in value of investment
19	17615		Even if excessive earnings had been ploughed back into value of the property, these earnings should not be excluded in determining value of the investment
	17617	13995	Earnings in excess of a reasonable return left in the business are capital invested by the consumer
	17621		Heward says a fair and reasonable return to industry must be sufficient to permit part of that return being left in the business

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- 17683 Average annual return on capital invested in Dominion Textile Co. has been less than 10%
- 17624 Heward says that Mr. McRuer's theory that it is improper for industrialists who have received special privileges from the Government to make large profits at expense of consumers is unsound
- 17625 Mr. McRuer says that if an industry asks for something from Government, then the Government has something to say about quantum of privileges that they give them. If industry asks no special privileges it is entitled to any profit it can make
- 17626 Heward says returns should be reasonable aside from Government interference or anything
- 17627 Commissioner says if any industry is protected it would be a misuse of its protection if it unduly enhanced the price of its product.
- 17629 Protected industry if receiving a smaller return than industry generally would not be so attractive for investment of new capital
- 17630 Mr. McRuer says these earnings are more than a reasonable return under the tariff protection they have. Heward submits his figures are reasonable, and that it is the value lying behind the investment that counts - not how much stock is outstanding.
- 17631 If an industry under protection granted earns more than a fair return, additional capital would be attracted and competition thereby intensified
- 17632 Virtually no investment in new plants in Canada in past 10 years, which indicates that the earnings during these years have not been such as to attract capital
- 17633 Heward says Mr. McRuer's statement is without foundation that the greatest part of earnings has been provided by consumers
- 17635 Heward thinks Government would object if part of earnings was not put back into a protected industry

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	17636		Heward says natural increase in value of assets is quite legitimate and represents the value on which they are entitled to have a return
20	17640		Average rate of return in last ten years was 4.75% or considerably less than the interest rates on bonds outstanding during that period
20	17640		Heward does not think this return would be raised much by reason of 1933 adjustments- about one third of 1%
	17644		Average ratio of earnings to net value of assets since 1920 has been 5.24%, and in last ten years 4.91% (Ex. 1356, p.3)
	17645		Average ratio of earnings since 1920 on value of investment as represented by bank indebtedness, bonds and preferred and common stock, was 5.28% and in last 10 years, 4.81% (Ex. 1357, p. 5)
	17646	18976 18860 18862 14516	Heward says return on investment taken on investment and cost and on value of investment has been most reasonable, and that these earnings indicate that existing tariff protection is not sufficient to ensure a reasonable return
	17647		Heward does not think they should have to suggest what a reasonable return would be but quotes one authority (the Privy Council) as saying that 15 % is not unreasonable
21	17648		In considering return on invested capital regard must be had to whether the industry has been properly managed. Heward says Dominion Textile has been prudently and economically managed, as evidenced by small amount which administration expenses constitute of the sales dollar, 1.04 cents for 10-year period (Ev. p. 12846 & 12859 (f); Ex. 1230)
22	17649		In view of good management, Heward thinks they are justified in looking at returns on investment in relation to question of tariff protection as a guide to it. (Ex. 1232)

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17659 Exorbitant profits shown by Commission Counsel should be disregarded, first, because the premises are false, secondly, because propositions are based on erroneous principles, and thirdly, inferences and conclusions drawn are themselves erroneous. (Ev. p. 13747)
- 24 17663 Heward says it is immaterial what any particular group of shareholders paid for their shares the point being what did the Company earn on its investment at cost.
- 24 17665 Heward contends it is the earnings of the Company as a whole which must be considered and not the earnings of the original common stockholders
- 24 17666 If it is attempted to use alleged earnings on common stock, or on a portion thereof, or alleged profits made by common stockholders, companies engaged in the industry would have to be classified according to various types of capital structure and a separate tariff devised for each one - Heward says this is fallacious
- 25 17667 In calculating the amount of capital invested, it is necessary to include all earnings or profits which have been left in the business by shareholders instead of being distributed
- 17668 Mr. McKue r says he is only prepared to admit that the reasonable profit left in the business ought to be considered as capital on which the investor is entitled to a return in the study of the sufficiency of the tariff
- 17668 Mr. McKuer contends that the share of the profit that was left in the business was in excess of a reasonable profit
- 25 17671 18919 Heward says if there was an extra profit of \$17,000, 00 resulting from over-depreciation, if it has not been paid out it should be added to capital (Ev. p. 12810)
- 17671 Mr. McKuer says the profits should be added from year to year to the earnings

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17671 18919

Heward says that instead of deducting \$12,000,000 it should have been left in and \$5,000,000 added if statement on page 7 of Ex. 917 is correct.

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Heward says that if \$15,179,238 is over-depreciation it should not have been charged to profits

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Heward criticises first item of write-off, \$5,067,063.33 which is referable to profits and loss account directly. He says this should be \$1,161,716.58

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Loss of \$614,683.36 on investments shown in 1933 is justifiable because investments held by Company are part of its liquid assets and if liquid assets have been impaired it is proper to transfer funds from Surplus account to cover it. Apart from this loss, there was a shortage of \$10,471.22 for common shareholders.

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Heward says this does not make any difference in the profits over a term of years

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Heward submits that if the amounts described as inventory reserves by Commission Auditor were to be included it would have no material effect on the percentage of earnings as shown in Ex. 1232, because if they are included in the Company's profit the additional equity represented by the balance of the reserve at the end of each year must be added to the invested capital. Such adjustments would amount to considerably less than one-half of 1% in the figures shown by Glasco

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Heward explains how he arrives at return on actual operating investment

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Average ratio of net profits to invested capital, 1927 to 1936, on a cost basis, was only 7.8%

17821 & 18942
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On cost basis the difference between the Company's book values of the old companies and Howson's figures is \$2,100,000.

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Ratio of net profits to invested capital 1923 and 1928 to 1936

- 17825 Heward says that if it had not been for outside investments of the Company, the earnings of the Company would have been extremely small
- 17827 Profit made in raw cotton purchases
- 17828 Heward submits if it had not been for revenues from outside investments it would have been necessary to make further reductions in wages and earlier and possibly more drastic reductions in dividends to shareholders
- 17829 Heward says that attempts to show that the
17834 company had any hidden earnings as a result of over-depreciation and charges to governments have failed and that profits shown are in relation to Company's invested capital have been remarkably low and inadequate in view of the risks involved
- 17833 Heward says return on sales dollar must be considered in relation to capital invested and where capital is turned over quickly a reasonable return on a sales dollar would be lower than where the capital is turned over more slowly
- 17875 18849 Heward says McFuer's calculation at pages 180 and 182 of his brief showing position Dominion Textile would have been in, had it paid its bond interest, preferred and common stock dividends of 20% per annum on original \$500,000 should be ignored; first, because it is fallacious that all the Company received for original issue of common stock was \$500,000; secondly, because it includes among the earnings of the Company the so-called secret inventory reserve; and thirdly, it is based on supposition that there was over-depreciation and betterments charged to profit amounting to \$18,011,356.89
- 17876 Heward will not say that Company has earned 20% in the past or that they want to do it in the future
- 17878 Heward submits that because there is something left for the shareholders it does not follow that the consumer has been improperly called upon to pay expenses or to pay the amount distributed to shareholders

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- 17878 Facts show this Company is well managed and that profits have been kept at very low level
- 17887 Since 1930, management of Montreal Cottons by Dominion Textile has improved the position of Montreal Cottons. Loss of \$304,388.52 in 1930 but profit of \$230,512.30 in 1935
- 17889 Comparison between group of American and Canadian companies and Dominion Textile Co. as to return on total investment in operation after eliminating goodwill and the return on capital stock equity after eliminating goodwill
- 17978 Line 'C' in Chart CC-1 indicates that 1919, 1921 and 1927 were the more profitable years in the Company's history since 1916, while the poorer years were 1924, 1930, 1933 and 1935
- 17979 Profitable years cannot be judged altogether from charts because it only shows manufacturing angle and would not take into account a big rise in value of raw cotton
- 17980 Gordon says really profitable years were 1918, 1919 and to some extent 1920
- 17981 1919 was most profitable year between 1916 and 1937 and 1921 came next
- 17984 After charging full depreciation in 1934 for the first time since 1930 the manufacturing profit per pound was very moderate, but combined with a high production it resulted in the best indicated profit since 1928
- 17985 Unit profit is so low that it requires a great deal of volume to make a profit
- 18031 Schedule showing difference between income and fixed expenditures and the resulting amount of money or pool which was available between 1927 and 1936 to reward capital and wages (Ex. 1363)
- 1 18036 Schedule shows point beyond which Company could not go in remunerating labour and capital without using up part of its accumulated capital

- 18036 In 1927 pool was over \$7,250,000
In 1935 it was only about \$4,500,000
- 18036 In 1931, 1932 and 1933, only about half the normal depreciation was written off. If full amount had been written off, pool would have been smaller in each of those years by \$635,000
- 18037 Second schedule shows how pool was divided between labour and capital (Ex. 1363)
- 18037 Third schedule shows respective investment of labour and capital for ten year period and the return of each in relation to 1927
- 18038 Schedule 2 shows that labour got 65% of the pool while capital received 35%
- 18038 After 1930 as pool became smaller so did labour's share in absolute amount, but not in proportion to capital's share due to labour's investment of man hours being less in 1931, 1932 and 1933
- 18039 Capital in 1935 and 1936 with an investment considerably greater than before 1929 is obtaining much less from pool than it obtained before 1930
- 18040 Schedule 3 shows that by 1933, for every 100 man hours worked in 1927 there were only 70 man hours worked in 1933, whereas for every \$100 earned in 1927 there was still \$83 being earned in 1933
- 18040 Capital includes all the amount available for preferred and common dividend, or for surplus, but bond interest is calculated in the fixed charges
- 18041 For every \$100 invested in the business in 1927 there was \$108 invested in 1933, but for every \$100 which capital got out of the pool in 1927 it got only \$26 in 1933. In 1936 labour got \$99 and capital \$47
- 33 18059 Ballantyne submits that during the period of business depression marked by declining earnings, some downward adjustment of wage costs was essential

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33	18059	15084	Rewards of other agents of production
40	18075		including capital and management, were
			not unreasonable or disproportionate on
			the basis of economic principles
33	18117		Profit from operations for year ended
			March 31, 1933, was \$357,213.78, leaving
			a net profit from operations of \$70,370.78
			after deducting interest and premium on
			bonds redeemed
	18117		On account of diminishment of pool in 1931
			1932 and 1933, it was necessary to draw upon
			surplus of the Company aside from the
			\$1,000,000 which was taken to cover invest-
	18041		ments
	18041		Ballantyne submits that these statements
			show, first, the limits within which a
			company must operate when it rewards labour
			and capital; second the manner in which the
			policies of the Company have operated in
			the division which was made between the
			funds available each year as between capital
			and labour; and third, during these ten
			years the share of labour in the pool has been
			increased relatively to capital

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	17617	18840	Original investors of Dominion Textile Co. have received 98.4% on the money invested
	17619		Heward does not think amount members of Syndicate earned on transaction has any bearing on this inquiry
	17659 & 17661	18840	Heward submits it is unjustifiable for Commission to take the cash contributions made in 1905, ignoring their other contributions, and figure out the percentage of dividends these shareholders would have received had they retained their investment
	17804		Loss of \$614,883.36 on investments shown in 1933 is justifiable because investments held by Company are part of its liquid assets and if liquid assets have been impaired it is proper to transfer funds from Surplus Account to cover it. Apart from this loss, there was a shortage of \$10,471.22 for common shareholders
29	17829		Earnings of Investors in relation to Sales (Ex. 1230)
29	17831		Distribution of sales dollar, 1927 to 1936 and percentage available for dividends (Ex. 1230)
	17833		Only 3.87 cents on each sales dollar was available for preferred and common stock in 1936 and 1935
	17887		Interest of Dominion Textile is to get Montreal Cottons into a position where it can pay dividends on Dominion Textiles holdings of 16,000 shares
	18078	18845	Total dividends paid in 30-year period amounted to about \$24,000,000
53	18116		Percentage of net earnings from manufacturing and trading available for dividends expressed in a percentage of total sales, 1930 to 1936 (Ex. 517)

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20	17639	18903	Total invested capital at cost \$9,887,379.75 i.e. after depreciation (Ex. 1232, p.3)
23	17652		Heward says it is not true that the Company had written off the value of the tangible assets and that the write-off referred to by Mr. Howson was the reduction applicable to goodwill account and not a reduction in value of the Company's assets. The reduc- tion was in the intangibles
	17653	18942	Heward says \$2,200,000 charged to opera- tions and reserves for depreciation or obsolescent plant did not reach this figu- re until 1914, and that these charges were not excessive
	17653 17658		Write-offs for buildings and machinery between 1905 and 1914 was approximately 2.45% per annum which Heward says is a very low figure
	17657		Any write-off for closing of mills would be included in \$2,200,000
23	17658	18903	Heward says substantial part of the write- off in 1912 and 1913 included in \$2,200,000 consisted in writing-off amounts applicable to goodwill
25	17671	18919	Heward says if there was an extra profit of \$17,000,000 resulting from over-depre- ciation if it has not been paid out it should be added to capital (Ex. p. 12810)
26	17671		Heward says that instead of deducting \$12,000,000 it should have been left in and \$5,000,000 added if statement on page 7 of Ex. 917 is correct
26	17676		Heward says Commission Counsel admitted that value of physical assets is at least as high as shown on Company's books and that insurance appraisal of 1936 shows it to be higher, but that there has been exces- sive depreciation and improper charges of betterments to operations

- 17678 Heward says it is not justifiable to take an insurance appraisal as the real value of the Company's assets
- 17679 Insurance appraisal is intended to show insurable or burnable value of the property, is based on replacement costs less depreciation
- 17688 & 18906
17698 Heward says there is nothing to show that the surplus value shown by such an appraisal as compared with net book value on a cost basis are the results of over-depreciation or charges of betterments to repairs
- 26 17689 Heward submits that Glassco in his evidence
17692 stated he considered charged of betterments
17693 to repairs as being equivalent to depreciation
17694 (Ev. p. 13765 and 13789)
- 17690 Heward defines the term 'betterment'
17691 In 1906, Company charged to operations nearly \$200,000 for betterments and repairs Heward says the Company did not depreciate at that time and that was its method of providing depreciation to write-off betterment to repairs, Company did not start writing-off depreciation until 1918
- 17691 Practice of Company up to 1918 was to make charges to operations and reserves for depreciation or obsolescent plant and also for betterment
- 17693 Company has not charged any betterments to repairs unless it has shown them as such as depreciation at anytime. Since 1918 certain fixed amounts have been written off for depreciation without any reference to particular betterment or repair previous to that time
- 26 17694 Company never wrote-off for depreciation more than was permitted by Income Tax authorities. 1.8% written off on cost of buildings and about 6% on machinery (Evid. p. 13,766, 13840)
- 17694 Heward says there has been no proof that betterments have been charged to repairs except where they were charged in lieu of depreciation (Ev. p. 12851)

	17695		Mr. Howson objects to statement that his representative could not find anything that should have been charged to capital account that was not so charged
27	17699	18919	Heward submits that computations on page 7 of Exhibit 917 does not establish that this extra value (\$17,265,728.17) when compared with depreciated cost, was due to excessive depreciation or to improper charges of betterments to operations (Ev. p. 12859A)
	17712	18930	Heward says appraisal values in 1936 were the same as in 1920 and that values of a year ago were substantially above their costs
	17712		Heward submits this proves his contention that Company has not over-depreciated
	17734 17754		Heward says that if \$15,179,238 is over-depreciation it should not have been charged to profits
	17750		Heward submits that information obtained from Textile World, Loper and Sirrine & Co., indicates that there has been no over-depreciation
	17750		Difference of \$4,000,000 between present book value and 1936 insurance appraisal might be accounted for by the extra values quoted by these three informants
	17751	18935	Heward says it is a fundamental function of depreciation charges to rateably extinguish the cost of fixed assets over their useful life, and therefore, depreciation charges must be based on cost
	17752 18937 18943	18943	Depreciation based on cost and not the written up value
	17760 17758	18939	Heward maintains that depreciation amounts to only \$2,696,005 or .845% per annum from 1920 to 1936 on average value of buildings plant and machinery of \$19,953,040.50
	17760		Heward says the whole difference between himself and Commission Counsel is that it

- 17760 is not proved that Company has charged any betterments to repairs, improperly charged any repairs to operations and that betterments were charged to repairs only in the early period before Company had any depreciation and they were charged in lieu of depreciation
- 17761 When depreciation was set up, instead of charges for betterments and repairs disappearing they increased
- 17767 Howard contends that books of Company show they wrote-off only \$4,038,874.56 prior to 1930 against plant and machinery which cost the Company \$13,425,933.76
- 17768 18938 Howard says Commission figure of \$11,624,302.52 should be \$13,425,933.76 or a difference of \$180,576.21 as regard the original cost and by \$621,065.03 as regard cost of additions or a total of \$801,631.24 on the cost of plant and machinery
- 17770 Howard criticises first item of write-off, \$3,067,065.53, which is referable to profits & loss account directly. He says this should be \$1,161,716.58
- 17773 Howard says item of depreciation account \$2,033,237.60 is correct but that \$563,473.86, reserves taken over from old company, is inaccurate and should be nil
- 17773 Glasco says they are in substantial agreement on the figures except as regards repairs and betterments
- 17774 Howard submits that only ground on which it can be established that \$17,256,728.17 is secret profits is by considering the replacement value new, in 1936, of all the Company's fixed assets as being exactly equal to the original cost; in which case the Company should have provided depreciation from 1905 to 1936 only in the amount necessary to reduce the cost of \$25,849,648.57 to the depreciated value, as per 1936 appraisal, namely \$21,183,63; a total of \$6,666,015.57 in 31 years, or an average of \$215,032 per annum
- 17776 Rates of depreciation allowed by Income Tax Department

- 17782 Gordon says they did not want more than the 6% depreciation allowed by Income Tax Dept.
- 17794 &
17796 Heward admits that supplies would be included in original cost of plant if they were starting up a new mill. No depreciation is charged on these things
- 17795 Heward says equipment or supplies have not been put in the plant and then written down by depreciation
- 17796 18943 Equipment or supplies must be charged to either operations or capital. If charged to capital, they must be written off in their useful life.
- 17796 Heward says Income Tax Department will not let anyone depreciate anything that is not capitalized on their books. Dominion Textile depreciation checks out exactly with Income Tax Department
- 17797 Amounts charged to operations for depreciation repairs betterments and equipment from 1906 to 1936 amount to \$38,065,816.39
- 17798 &
17803 Average annual charge to operations for depreciation, repairs, betterments and equipment, 1906 to 1936 is 7.8% of the average annual cost value of the assets
- 17799 Heward says criticism that amounts charged for depreciation appear to be regulated by amount of profits earned by the Company rather than any policy of determining the amount required for depreciation, is hardly well founded
- 17800 Practice of Income Tax Department is to assume, in cases of taxpayers who have had no taxable profits, that only 50% of the normal depreciation has accrued. Heward says this has nothing to do with price but has to do with volume of operations
- 17802 Heward submits that depreciation rates are properly set on a basis which will extinguish the cost of the fixed assets over their useful life if they are properly cared for, and that if they keep their plant well repaired they should not have to depreciate them

- 17803 If maintenance is neglected the life is shortened
- 17821 Heward says that on page 13 of Ex. 917 Howson has shown very high percentages of profit in manufacturing operations and deducts from common share equity the \$12,000,000 which represents part of the value of the investment. Heward states that if Howson is right in his statement that the Company had over-depreciated by \$7,000,000 this figure should be \$5,000,000 higher
- 17823 Heward objects to the deduction of \$12,000,000 and says it should be carried into profit as it is part of the value of the investment
- 17826 Depreciation taken in 1931 to 1936
- 18066 In 1931, 1932 and 1933 only about half the normal depreciation was written-off. If full amount had been written off pool would have been smaller in each of those years by \$635,000
- 18116 Amount written off for depreciation in 1931, 1932 and 1933 was \$635,572.00 as compared with between \$1,000,000 and \$1,600,000 in the other years of 10-year period
- 17755 18919 Heward agrees with Commission Counsel's figure of \$17,875,243 charged to depreciation

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BANK LOANS

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<u>ONE P</u>	<u>ARGUMENT</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>	
17557			Doubtful whether bank loans should be included in permanent investment
17557	18784		Bank loans are usually made only to finance business at inventory peak, and are not part of invested capital (Ex. 1357)
17559			Company's borrowings from banks are usually in form of overdrafts or cotton acceptances (Ex. 1357)
17560			Bank loans down by nearly \$3,000,000 in 1936 as compared with 1906
17561			Bank loans in 1932 \$215,000 as against \$1,900,000 in 1921
17561			Average ratio of net profits to invested capital on a cost basis, i.e. including bank loans funded debt and common shares:
			1906 - 1936 7.7%
			1906 - 1936 (excluding 1916-1920) 7.32%
			1927 - 1936 6.8%
			1927 - 1931 6.61%
			1932 - 1936 4.92%
17573			Howard says value of investments is the value of net assets of the Company lying behind the investment bonds, preferred and common stock but not bank loans

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AMALGAMATIONS and MERGERS

<u>PAGE IN</u> <u>EXHIBIT</u>	<u>HEWARD'S</u> <u>ARGUMENT</u>	<u>McRUER'S</u> <u>REBUTTAL</u>	<u>S U B J E C T</u>
5	17438		Syndicate agreement
5	17444		Extract from minutes of shareholders meeting Jan. 27, 1905 held for purpose of allotting shares and approving offer of Syndicate (Ex. 512)
6	17447	18902 18846	Statement as to securities issued upon acquisition of constituent companies (ex. 1832)-Tangible and Intangible assets
7	17454		Value of intangible assets
7	17454		Improved earnings in first two years after merger were made before good management made its effects fully felt
8	17455		Summary of Syndicate transaction (Ex.331)
8	17457		Letter from Royal Trust Co. to Colonial Bleaching and Printing Co. dated Dec. 29 1904 submitting offer of purchase on behalf of Syndicate (Ex. 331)
8	17471		Transfer of stock and bonds from Syndicate to Company is one indivisible contract and cannot be split up
8	17472	18824 18826	Heward says acquisition from shareholders of shares of old companies at less than real value proves shares were worth more than was paid for them
9	17473		Potential value of shares of old companies depended on success of new enterprise
9	17474		Old shares should be valued at least at value of tangible assets
9	17475		Serious position of old companies due to bad management
9	17477		Value of old companies enhanced after amalgamation due to good management, etc. and also the putting up of one million dollars to rectify liquid asset position

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| 9 | 17477 | Shareholders of old companies had to take less than net value of physical assets on account of difficult financial position they were in |
| 9 | 17481 | Members of Syndicate who were also shareholders and directors of old companies |
| 9 | 17482 | No interlocking between directorates of old companies |
| 9 | 17483 | Heward says that second last paragraph of Royal Trust Co. receipt (Ex. 350) does not indicate that the shares were to be voted to put through the merger |
| 9 | 17485 | Reasons why syndicate was able to acquire from shareholders of the old companies the shares at less than their real value (Ex. 328, p. 4 and 5) |
| 9 | 17486 | Earnings and dividend records of old companies had been unsatisfactory |
| | 17492 | Directors meeting, January 29, 1902 - Proposal received for acquisition of Merchants Cotton Co. (Ev. p. 5748) |
| | 17498 | Directors Meeting Dec. 11, 1903
Memorandum re sale of net assets of Merchants Cotton Co. to Dominion Cotton Mills - Proposal to take over Colonial Bleaching and Printing Co. - Neither proposal accepted by Dominion Cotton Mills (Ev. p. 5761 and 5762) |
| | 17501 | Directors Meeting, December 14, 1904
Directors returned offer which had been sent by Royal Trust Company to be transmitted to shareholders (Ev. p. 5764A) |
| 10 | 17502 | Shareholders of four old companies were willing to part with their shares to Syndicate at a sacrifice. Old companies were in demoralized state, but properties had great potential values |
| 10 | 17503 | Value of new Company was well worth the securities which they issued for them to the Syndicate |

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10	17505		Syndicate took risks in investing new capital in old companies. When merger was consummated in 1905 prior liabilities amounted to \$1,367,161.38
10	17506		Liabilities of old companies at time of merger
	17508		What Syndicate paid for shares of old companies immaterial for purposes of inquiry; what is material is value of the assets which lay behind the shares Dominion Textile Company has received
	17515		Combined assets of old companies acquired a greater value to Syndicate than what Syndicate had paid for them separately
	17516		Assets of old companies were purchased at their actual cash value, not on their book value
	17519		Old Companies were in distress because they had run themselves shor of working cash due to comition of the industry, competition with each other and poor management (Mr. McRuer does not agree)
	17520		Each one of old companies was entitled to receive best price they could get for their assets
	17521		Howard contends that 'value' means replacement value
	17524		
	17632		Issue of new shares by Dominion Textile Co. in 1928 was for purpose of acquiring the Sherbrooke and Drummondville plants
22	17650	18825 18835	Howard submits that Company received very much more than 3500,000 in cash for its original issue of \$5,000,000 common stock. It received tangible assets of a replacement value of \$2,094,000 and intangibles of considerable value (Ex. 917)
23	17659 17661		Howard submits it is unjustifiable for Commission to take the cash contributions made in 1905, ignoring their other contributions and figure out the percentage of dividends these shareholders would have received had they retained thier investment

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23	17659	18824 18838	Howard challenges statement that all company received for its original common stock issue was \$500,000
23	17660		Members of Syndicate risked half a million dollars in backing their judgment with \$13,000,000 worth of liabilities ahead of them
	17662	18893	Distressed shareholder of old Company got all he was entitled to
24	17663		Howard says it is immaterial what any particular group of shareholders paid for their shares, the point being what did the Company earn on its investment at cost
	17787		\$2,375,000 paid for Mount Royal Plant in 1921
	17838		Howard says it is possible that if four old companies merged in 1905 had carried on independently until some of them were bankrupt the excessive competition which existed would have been eliminated or lessened, but with disastrous results to the companies the shareholders and employees and that an enhancement in price would have followed. Howard submits that the elimination of excessive competition in an orderly and constructive manner was better for all concerned
	17846		It was the unhealthy competition that was forcing these old companies into bankruptcy so that they had to sell at sub-cost prices
	17846		Howard submits that competition is not detrimental to the consumer unless it results in improper increases in prices which the latter pays and that there is no evidence to show that there was such an increase in prices after the merger or that prices were improperly high after the merger

Amalgamations and Mergers - 4

- 17847 No evidence that prices went either up or down after the merger
- 17875 18849 Heward says McHuer's calculation at pages 180 and 182 of his brief showing what position Dominion Textile would have been in had it paid its bond interest, preferred and common stock dividends, of 20% per annum on original \$500,000, should be ignored; first, because it is fallacious that all the Company received for original issue of common stock was \$500,000; secondly, because it includes among the earnings of the Company the so-called secret inventory reserve; and thirdly it is based on supposition that there was over-depreciation and betterments charged to profits amounting to \$16,011,356.89
- 17883 Heward says there is no evidence that Dominion Textile is gradually acquiring shares of Montreal Cottons in order to get complete ownership as cheaply as possible and in that way pay as little dividends and buy from it at as low a price as possible
- 17885 Dominion Textile had acquired voting control of Montreal Cottons by end of 1930
- 17886 Explanation by Heward as to manner in which shares of Montreal Cottons have been acquired by Dominion Textile Co.
- 17887 Interest of Dominion Textile is to get Montreal Cottons into a position where it can pay dividends on Dominion Textile holdings of 16,000 shares
- 17888 Heward says amalgamations and mergers does not necessarily mean that there are now less people employed, because plants have been enlarged and extended. History of Company shows there has been a general trend of increase in number of its employees
- 37 18067 Sherbrooke and Drummondville companies taken over by Dominion Textile in 1930

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BETTERMENTS and REPAIRS

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<u>INDEX</u>	<u>APPROX</u>	<u>APPROX</u>	
	17656		Heward says betterments should not be charged to operations
	17688 17698	18906	Heward says there is nothing to show that surplus value shown by such an appraisal as compared with net book value on a cost basis are the results of over-depreciation or charges of betterments to repairs
26	17689 17692 17693 17694		Heward submits that Glasses in his evidence stated he considered charges of betterments to repairs as being equivalent to depreciation (Ev. p. 12763 & 12765)
	17690 17691		Heward defines the term 'betterment'. In 1906 company charged to operations nearly \$200,000 for betterments and repairs. Heward says the Company did not depreciate at that time and that was its method of providing depreciation to write-off betterment to repairs. Company did not start writing off depreciation until 1918
	17691		Practice of Company up to 1918 was to make charges to operations and reserves for depreciation or obsolescent plant and also for betterment
	17693		Company has not charged any betterments to repairs unless it has shown them as such as depreciation at any time. Since 1918 certain fixed amounts have been written off for depreciation without any reference to particular betterment or repair previous to that time
	17694		Heward says there has been no proof that betterments have been charged to repairs except where they were charged in lieu of depreciation (Ev. p. 12851)
	17695		Mr. Howson objects to statement that his representative could not find anything that should have been charged to capital account that was not so charged
	17699		

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17699	18919	Howard submits that computations on page 7 of Ex. 917 does not establish that this extra value (\$17,265,728.17) when compared with depreciated cost was due to excessive depreciation or to improper charges of betterments to operations (Ex. p. 12859A)
17758		
17758		Howard says there is no suggestion that in period 1920 to 1936 any betterments have been improperly charged
17760		
17763		Howard maintains that depreciation amounts to only \$2,696,005 or .845% per annum from 1920 to 1936 on average value of buildings, plant and machinery of \$19,953,040.50
17760		Howard says the whole difference between himself and Commission Counsel is that it is not proved that Company has charged any betterments to repairs, improperly charged any repairs to operations and that betterments were charged to repairs only in the early period before Company had any depreciation and they were charged in lieu of depreciation
17761		When depreciation was set up, instead of charges for betterments and repairs disappearing they increased
17764		Howard says if Company had been improperly charging capital direct to repairs, Income Tax authorities who had carefully examined the books would have noticed it and made careful inquiries if they had seen any unreasonable charges to operations
17773	18790	Classco says they are in substantial agreement on the figures except as regards repairs and betterments
17785		
17786		Large amounts charged to operations for repairs during war years was due to excessive wear and tear
17790		
17786		Howard says that the large amount charged to operations for repairs in 1921 was not in the nature of replacing their plant out of war profits

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17786	18943 18944	Charges to operations for equipment were not kept separate in all the mills until 1927; previous to that time it was included in repairs account
17796		Howard says Income Tax Department will not let anyone depreciate anything that is not capitalized on their books. Dominion Textile Co. depreciation checks out exactly with Income Tax Department
17797		Amounts charged to operations for depreciation, repairs, betterments and equipment from 1906 to 1936 amount to \$38,065,816.39
17798 17803		Average annual charge to operations for depreciation, repairs, betterments and equipment, 1906 to 1936 is 7.8% of the average annual cost value of the assets
17875	18849	Howard says McHuer's calculation at pages 180 and 182 of his brief showing position Dominion Textile would have been in had it paid its bond interest, preferred and common stock dividends of 20% per annum on original \$500,000 should be ignored; first, because it is fallacious that all the Company received for original issue of common stock was \$500,000; secondly, because it includes among the earnings of the Company the so-called secret inventory reserve; and thirdly it is based on supposition that there was over-depreciation and betterments charged to profits amounting to \$16,011,356.89

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COSTS

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<u>PRINT</u>	<u>ARGUMENT</u>	<u>REPLY</u>	<u>S U B J E C T</u>
17808			Howard explains how cost or market value is arrived at
17809			Goods must be taken into inventory at a figure at which they could be readily sold in the condition in which they are at the time they are taken in
17810			Howard says their inventory values are in some cases below cost or market value
17831			Howard says statement of Commission Counsel that very few of the companies keep such records as will enable them to state accurately what their cost of production is for any particular fabric does not apply to Dominion Textile Co. (Exhib. 1794, 1802, 1828, 1830 and 1841)
17832			Lower cost system installed by Dominion Textile in 1921; Montreal Cottons in 1930
17853			Howard says it is impossible to actually measure cost of production for any one fabric or type of yarn in a mill
17854			Extracts of "25 Years of Accounting Experience" by Geo. Oliver May
17856			Cost system used by Dominion Textile brings to bear on machinery the cost that should be allocated to the machinery and then the production through these machines bears its share of that cost
17857			Explanation of how standard cost system works
17858			"Audit Theory and Practice" by Robt. H. Montgomery
17860			Howard says form 14-A does not call for a reconciliation between standard cost and operating cost sheets

	17862		Howard says there is a discrepancy of 14.6% in power and fuel between their standard cost system and general books of account, and a discrepancy of 57% in mill general expenses
	17862		Standard costs are based on standard operation and when costs are applied against short time operations smaller figures are obtained than appear in the profit and loss account
	17863		Production of 132% of the standard at Megog up to March 1, 1936, was due to the fact that they were operating about 32% above standard
	17983	18977	Line 'E' on Chart CG - 2 represents the average cost per unit of production to the consumer (customer)
	17998	18977	Cost of goods to the consumer if there were no duties or only very low duties on imported goods
	17999 18001		If 50% of business being obtained under protective tariff was lost, manufacturing costs and selling prices would be higher than under existing conditions
	18077		Ballantyne thinks that 10% for administration and selling would not have been extravagant. Amount saved, therefore, amounts to nearly \$35,500,000 and is entirely due to good management
47	18102		Relationship of wages to (a) Cost of production, and (b) Total salaries and wages
47	18102		Mill wages form second largest item of production cost
47	18102		Exhibit 1230 (distribution of sales dollar 1927-1936) shows importance of mill wages as an element of the sales dollar

17788 Verdun plant purchased from Government
and new machinery put in in 1920

38 18070 Fessenden quotes an American Textile
expert's opinion as to Canadian manu-
facturers producing at lower cost by
means of up to date equipment

18071 Ballantyne says the efficiency of the
Company as shown by the evidence has
been pretty well recognized

48 18077 Selling and administration costs in first
18103 30 years of Company's existence amounted
to \$10,500,000 during which time the
Company sold \$460,000,000 worth of goods.
Ratio of cost for selling and administra-
tion was 2.3%

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DOMINION COTTON MILLS

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<u>BRIEF</u>	<u>ARGUMENT</u>	<u>REBUTTAL</u>	
10	17487		Dominion Cotton Mills Co. - Report to shareholders April 9, 1897 (Ev.p.5732)
	17487		Report to shareholders, 1898 - Company became its own selling agents. (Ev. p. 5735)
	17488		Minutes of Directors meeting, Dec. 27, 1899. Heavy expenditures for increasing and remodelling mills. \$1,000,000 borrowed from banks (Ev. p. 5740)
	17489		Minutes of Directors meeting, June 26, 1900 - \$1,000,000 Preference stock issued to retire loan (Ev. p. 5743)
	17490		Annual Meeting, 1901 - Only \$163,800 of \$1,000,000 Preference stock issue subscribed for. (Ev. p.5745 and 5746)
	17491		Directors Meeting Oct. 31, 1901 - Payment of quarterly dividends not made
	17492		Directors Meeting, January 29, 1902 Proposal received for acquisition of Merchants Cotton Co. (Ev. p. 5748)
	17493		Annual Meeting April 7, 1902 - Disastrous year due to purchases of cotton at high prices. New management appointed. Selling given to outside firm (Ev. p. 5751)
	17496		Annual meeting, April 27, 1903 - Satisfactory year under new General Manager, but no common dividends paid (Ev. o. 5754)
	17497		Director's meeting, September 1903 - Meeting of cotton mill representatives called by Mr. Clouston in endeavour to learning about better relationship between companies (Ev. p. 5755)
	17498		Directors Meeting, December 11, 1903 - Memorandum re sale of net assets of "Merchants Cotton Co." to "Dominion Cotton

Dominion Cotton Mills - 2

Mills - Proposal to take over Colonial Bleaching and Printing Co. Neither proposal accepted by Dominion Cotton Mills (Ev. p. 5761 and 5762)

17800

Annual Meeting, April 1904 - Reduction in floating liabilities by nearly \$800,000. No dividend paid (Ev. p. 5764)

17801

Directors meeting, December 14, 1904
Directors returned offer which had been sent by Royal Trust Company to be transmitted to shareholders (Ev. p. 5764A)

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EQUIPMENT and SUPPLIES

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17790			Charges for equipment are not charges for machinery or permanent installations; they are for consumable equipment which are in the nature of supplies, such as bobbins, spools, shuttles, etc.
17793	18943 18944		Charges to operations for equipment were not kept separate in all the mills until 1927; previous to that time it was included in repairs account
17794 17796			Howard admits that supplies would be included in original cost of plant if they are starting up a new mill. No depreciation is charged on the things
17795			Howard says equipment or supplies have not been put in the plant and then written down by depreciation
17796			Equipment or supplies must be charged to either operations or capital. If charged to capital they must be written off in their useful life
17797			Amounts charged to operations for depreciation, repairs, betterments and equipment from 1906 to 1936 amount to \$38,065,816.39
17798 17803	18942		Average annual charge to operations for depreciation, repairs, betterments and equipment, 1906 to 1936, is 7.8% of the average annual cost value of the assets

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INCOME TAX

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<u>INDEX</u>	<u>ARGUMENT</u>	<u>REPLY</u>	
17694			Company never wrote-off for depreciation more than was permitted by Income Tax Department. 1.8% written off on cost of buildings and about 6% on machinery (Ev. p. 13766, 13840)
17764			Heward says if Company had been improperly charging capital direct to repairs, Income Tax officials who had carefully examined the books, would have noticed it and made careful inquiries if they had seen any unreasonable charges to operations
17776			Rates of depreciation allowed by Income Tax Department
17782			Gordon says they did not want more than the 6% depreciation allowed by Income Tax Department
17800			Practice of Income Tax Department is to assume in cases of taxpayers who have had no taxable profits, that only 50% of the normal depreciation has accrued. Heward says this has nothing to do with price but has to do with volume of operations
17806			Only \$6000 paid in Income Tax in 1933
17806			Income Tax on operating revenue was included in selling price
17808			Income Tax Department accepted the Company's basis of inventory valuation for years and it has fully explained to them in 1934
17878			Income Tax is a tax which is imposed on the Company not on the shareholders
17880			In England the tax which the income shareholder has to pay is deducted and there is no separate tax on the Company's income
17880			Heward says all their monies come from the consumer; and all taxes form part of the selling price of the goods

- 17880 Company paid \$819,541 in taxes to various governments all of which came from the consumers
- 17881 Howard says if Company had not had to pay
17882 these taxes it might have been able to reduce selling price
- 17882 Both consumers and shareholders suffered on account of these taxes
- 17882 If tax is added to sales price of goods
 Company tries to get it out of the goods
- 13945 Howard objects to statement made in Toronto Star that Dominion Textile Co. falsified its income tax returns

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FINANCIAL APPRAISALS - VALUATIONS

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13	17566	13992	Bluefield Water Works & Improvement Co. vs Public Service Commission of the Sta- te of West Virginia
14	17574		State of Missouri ex. rel. Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. vs Public Service Commission of Missouri
15	17575		McCordle et al vs Indianapolis Water Co.
16	17578		City of Toronto and Toronto Ry. Co.
16	17579 17585		Canada Southern Ry. Co. and Internatio- nal Bridge Co.
17	17585		Ex. 7. Moncton T.R. & G. Co. Ltd.
17	17586		Western Tolls, 12 Canadian Railway cases
19	17610		Value of what it would cost for addition- al plant for proper expansion is an im- portant element, assuming that it is the desired policy of the country to protect the industry
19	17615		Earnings put back in the business should be included in value of investment
19	17615		Even if excessive earnings had been ploughed back into value of the proper- ty these earnings should not be excluded in determining value of the investment
	17631		Heward does not admit that he should take into consideration how the value of the investment was built up under a customs tariff
	17636		Heward says natural increase in value of assets is quite legitimate and repre- sents today's replacement value, this being the value on which they are entitled to have a return
	17637		Heward does not agree with decline in value since 1920

Insurance Appraisals - Valuations - 2

20	17519	18903	Total invested capital at cost \$9,887,379.75 i.e. after depreciation (Ex. 1232, p.3)
20	17640		Howard does not think this return would be raised much by reason of 1933 adjust- ments, about one third of 1%
	17 644		Average ratio of earnings to net value of assets has been 5.24% and in last 10 years, 4.91% (Ex. 1356 p.3)
	17643		Average ratio of earnings since 1920 on value of investment as represented by bank indebtedness, bonds, preferred and common stock, was 5.22% and in last 10 years 4.81% (Ex. 1357 p. 5)
	17646		Howard says return on investment taken on investment and cost and on value of investment has been most reasonable, and that these earnings indicate that existing tariff protection is not suffi- cient to ensure a reasonable return
22	17650	18625 18903 14294	Howard admits that Conway received very much more than \$500,000 in cash for its original issue of \$5,000,000 common stock. It received tangible assets of a replacement value of \$2,094,000 and intangibles of considera- ble value (Ex. 917)
23	17652	18906	Howard says it is not true that the Com- pany had written off the value of the tan- gible assets and that the write-off re- ferred to by Mr. Howson was the reduct- ion applicable to goodwill account and not a reduction in value of the Company's assets. The reduction was in the intan- gibles.
	17653	18942	Howard says \$2,000,000 charged to opera- tions and reserves for depreciation or obsolescent plant did not reach this figure until 1914 and that these charges were not excessive
	17653 & 17656		Write-offs for buildings and machinery between 1901 and 1914 was approximately 2.45% per annum which Howard says is a very low figure

Insurance Appraisals - Valuations - 3

	17657		Any write-off for closing of mills would be included in \$2,200,000
23	17658	18903	Heward says substantial part of the write-offs in 1912 and 1913 included in \$2,200,000 consisted in writing off amounts applicable to goodwill
	17664		Heward says that if they bought a plant in 1905 for \$10,000,000 and the value of a new plant of a similar kind in 1936 was \$5,000,000. they could not ask for a return on the original value of the plant
	17675		Heward says value of investment is the value of net assets of the Company lying behind the investment bonds, preferred and common stock but not bank loans
26	17676	18920	Heward says Commission Counsel admitted that value of physical assets is at least as high as shown on Company's books and that insurance appraisal of 1936 shows it to be higher but that there has been excessive depreciation and improper charges of betterments to operations
	17678		Heward says it is not justifiable to take an insurance appraisal as the real value of the Company's assets
	17679		Insurance appraisal is intended to show insurable or burnable value of the property and is based on replacement costs less depreciation
	17684		In booklet called 'Insurance Valuations by the Factory Mutuals' it is stated "losses must be paid on the basis of actual cash value at time of loss"
	17685		Heward says 1936 appraisal is not as exact as the 1920 appraisal
	17686		Appraisal was made for the purpose of getting maximum insurable value
	17687	18926	Purpose of appraisal was to give the

Insurance Appraisals - Valuations - 4

17687	18926	Company as exact a valuation as possible of the Company's assets at that time (1920). Gross values now were put at \$30,000,000 and depreciated replacement values at \$22,900,000
17687		Present book values are in excess of 1920 appraisal
17688		Present depreciated book value is \$18,172,276.11 (Ex. 1232 p. 4)
17688 17698	18906	Howard says there is nothing to show that the surplus value shown by such an appraisal as compared with net book value on a cost basis are the results of over-depreciation or charges of betterments to repairs
26	17689 17692 17693 17694	Howard submits that Glasco in his evidence stated he considered charges of betterments to repairs as being equivalent to depreciation (Ev. p. 13765 and 13789)
27	17696 17698 17701	Mr. McRuer challenges statement that market value of lands, buildings and machinery has greatly increased since 1906 (Ex. p. 13761)
27	17699	18919
		Howard submits that computations on page 7 of Ex. 917 does not establish that this extra value (\$17,265,728.17) when compared with depreciated cost, was due to excessive depreciation or to improper charges of betterments to operations (Ev. p. 12859A)
	17700	Howard contends that there is an increased value between 1906 and 1936 and therefore no secret reserve of \$17,265,728.17
	17711	Howard says natural values of the machinery in 1920 according to their books are still there and are not hiding profits by reason of depreciation
	17712	18930
		Howard says appraisal values in 1936 were the same as in 1920 and that values of a year ago were substantially above their costs

17712		Heward submits this proves his contention that Company has not over-depreciated
17727	18920 18927	Heward dis agrees with appraisal figures which appear on page 177 of Mr. McRuer's brief,
17728	18921	1920 appraisal
17735	18926	Heward submits that cost of building and machinery assets up to 1920 amounted to \$13,517,440 and appraised replacement value now as shown by 1920 appraisal amounted to \$30,352,437 so that increase in values was just under 100%
17745		Heward says Company's cost values to 1930 can reasonably be taken on a pre-war basis because during the war it was very difficult to obtain new machinery
17748		Heward says value in 1934 of \$37,241,856 is still greater than the costs of the assets of the Company by \$21,724,416.
17748	18924	Heward submits that appraisal of 1920 only increased pre-war values by slightly under 100%, therefore, if in 1934 the values were greater than pre-war values by 137.5% the values shown by the 1920 appraisal and even greater values were still there in 1934
17749		Dominion Textile Co. did not write into its books the full increase in value as shown by the 1920 appraisal
17750		Heward submits that information obtained from Textile Work, Lover and Serrine & Co. indicates that there has been no over-depreciation
17750		Difference of \$4,000,000 between present book value and 1936 insurance appraisal might be accounted for by the extra values quoted by these three informants

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Heward submits that only ground on which it can be established that \$17,256,728.17 is secret profits is by considering the replacement value now, in 1936, of all the Company's fixed assets as being exactly equal to the original cost; in which case, the Company should have provided depreciation from 1905 to 1936 only in the amount necessary to reduce the cost of \$28,849,648.57 to the depreciated value as per 1936 appraisal, namely \$22,125,623; a total of \$6,666,648.57 in 31 years or an average of \$215,032 per annum

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Machinery represents about 75% of the value of the fixed assets

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Heward says that values in plant are not the result of hidden profits but of natural increase in values of machinery and buildings

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1920 Appraisal (Ev. p. 7454) (Ex. 1232 p. 4)

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INVESTMENT

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4	17436		Ratio of earnings to invested capital (a) History of Company's capital structure (Ex. 512)
10	17512		Statement prepared by Glassco showing invested capital and earnings thereon from 1905 to 1936 (Ex. 1232)
	17515		Combined assets of old companies acquired a greater value to Syndicate than what Syndicate had paid for them separately
	17516		Assets of old companies were purchased at their actual cash value, not on their book value
12	17544		Gordon says Company's investments have appreciated by about half the amount of the million dollars which was transferred from Surplus Account
12	17551		Amounts invested by bondholders were not included in capital investment but only amounts invested by preferred and common stockholders
12	17552		Interest on bonds should be included in capital investment
	17553		Proper scientific method is to take whole of permanent investment whether invested by a bondholder, preferred or common stockholder and treat that as the investment (Ex. 1356)
	17556		Doubtful whether bank loans should be included in permanent investment
	17557	18784	Bank loans are usually made only to finance business at inventory peak, and are not part of invested capital (Ex. 1357)
13	17564		Value of assets behind the investment must be considered; i.e. real present day value lying behind securities in hands of investors

- 17617 Earnings in excess of a reasonable return left in the business are capital invested by the consumer
- 17621 Heward says a fair and reasonable return to industry must be sufficient to permit part of that return being left in the business
- 17631 If an industry under protection granted earns more than a fair return, additional capital would be attracted and competition thereby intensified
- 17632 Virtually no investment in new plants in Canada in past 10 years, which indicates that the earnings during these years have not been such as to attract capital
- 25 17637 In calculating the amount of capital invested, it is necessary to include all earnings or profits which have been left in the business by shareholders instead of being distributed
- 17638 Mr. McHuer says he is only prepared to admit that the reasonable profit left in the business ought to be considered as capital on which the investor is entitled to a return in the study of the sufficiency of the tariff
- 17804 Loss of \$614,683.36 on investments shown in 1933 is justifiable because investments held by Company are part of its liquid assets and if liquid assets have been impaired it is proper to transfer funds from Surplus Account to cover it. Apart from this loss, there was a shortage of \$10,471.22 for common shareholders
- 17822 Heward says Howson did not include Sherbrooke and Drummondville plants in \$26,000,000
- 17823 Heward objects to the deduction of \$12,000,000 as it is part of the value of the investment
- 17826 \$1,000,000 which was taken out of surplus account to cover loss on investment is included in this \$2,000,000

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Howard says McRuer's calculation at pages 180 and 182 of his brief showing position Dominion Textile would have been in had it paid its bond interest, preferred and common stock dividends of 20% per annum on original \$500,000 should be ignored; first, because it is fallacious that all the Company received for original issue of common stock was \$500,000; secondly because it includes among the earnings of the Company the so-called secret inventory reserve; and thirdly it is based on supposition that there was over-depreciation and betterments charged to profits amounting to \$16,011,356.89

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RESERVES

<u>PAGE IN</u> <u>INDEX</u>	<u>HEWARD'S</u> <u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>McRUER'S</u> <u>REBUTTAL</u>	<u>S U B J E C T</u>
11	17533		Earnings or profits shown in Ex. 1232 do not include secret reserves, but figures have been adjusted for fluctuations in the reserves
11	17534		Heward does not admit that so-called Inventory reserve is an Inventory Reserve, but it does take in fluctuations in raw cotton reserves shown on the books investment reserve, bad debt reserve, contingent reserve, pension fund and general reserve
	17536		General Reserve includes an adjustment of \$116,552.43 on a war contract, balance of this general reserve being made up of two or three small reserves
	17538		Special Reserve existed from 1927 - 1930. Also reserve for depreciation on investments this existed from 1930 onwards; Reserve for exchange on sales; Halifax fire loss reserve; Reserve for selling expense and reserve for interest
	17538		Explanation by Mr. Glasco as to manner in which Raw Cotton Reserve was adjusted
	17540 17562 17604 17826	18905	One million dollars was transferred from Surplus Account to Investment reserve to make up loss that had been made on investments
	17540	18905	Company's profits in 1933 \$725,589 instead of loss of \$614,683.36
	17604		as shown on page 2 of Ex. 1232. Loss being due to transfer of \$1,000,000 to Investment Reserve
	17700		Heward contends that there is an increased value between 1905 and 1936 and therefore no secret reserve of \$17,265,728.17
	17775		Heward says that values in plant are not the result of hidden profits, but of natural increase in values of machinery and buildings.

- 17807 Howard says the term "inventory"reserve" used by Commission Counsel is a misnomer
- 17808 Company values its inventory at market value or cost, whichever is lower
- 17810 Howard says their inventory values are in some cases below cost or market value
- 17813 Balance sheet has an inventory reserve not disclosed of \$1,000,000. Howard says this cannot be called inventory reserve and that it is justifiable valuation of the inventory
- 17813 Howard says this does not make any difference in the profits over a term of years
- 17815 Howard submits that if the amounts described as inventory reserves by Commission Auditor were to be included it would have not material effect on the percentage of earnings as shown in Ex. 1232, because if they are included in the Company's profit the additional equity represented by the balance of the reserve at the end of each year must be added to the invested capital. Such adjustments would amount to considerably less than one-half of 1% in the figures shown by Glasco
- 17823 Between 1930 and 1934 the Company's surplus account was reduced by over two million dollars
- 17826 \$1,000,000 which was taken out of surplus account to cover loss on investments is included in this \$3,000,000
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17834 Howard says that attempts to show that the Company had any hidden earnings as a result of over-depreciation and charges to governments have failed and that profits shown are the real profits, and, therefore, the earnings in relation to Company's invested capital have been remarkably low and inadequately in view of the risks involved
- 18117 On account of diminishment of pool in 1931 1932 and 1933 it was necessary to draw upon

- 18117 surplus of the Company, aside from the \$1,000,000 which was taken to cover investments
- 17670 Mr. McKuer says there was \$14,000,000 or \$15,000,000 of a secret reserve of profit
- 17774 Heward says page 8 of Exhibit 917 is where Mr. McKuer gets at the figure which he alleges is secret profits resulting from depreciation

LABOUR COMMITTEES

<u>PAGE IN</u>	<u>HOWARD'S</u>	<u>McRUE'S</u>	<u>S U B J E C T</u>
<u>BRIEF</u>	<u>ARGUMENT</u>	<u>REBUTTAL</u>	
1	17888		Howard says amalgamations and mergers do not necessarily mean that there are now less people employed because plants have been enlarged and extended. History of Company shows there has been a general trend of increase in number of its employees
	17893		Rayon Division resumed operations on a part time basis. Prior to closing it had been operating on 48-hour week
	17944 17948		Obligation of a tariff protected industry to keep employees working
	17948 17949		No compensation was given to employees for losses they suffered in 11-day shut-down
	17948		If Company could not manufacture goods at a profit, employees would have lost their employment anyway
	17962		United States manufacturers are in a position to set their own standards of wages and hours but Canadian manufacturers are not
	17993		In Budget Speech of February 25, 1937, Minister of Finance, in discussing unemployment said: "The real solution must come and is coming through the expansion of private enterprise based on conditions favourable to the more extensive development of our primary and other industries"
	18038		Number of hours worked in 1931, 1932 and 1933 in relation to 1927
	18043 18056-7		Ballantyne discusses what is likely to be the probable future of the textile worker
	18046		Rent

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	18046 18054 18116	Trend since 1912 is towards a shorter working week and higher wages
	18055	Number of employees increased from 4750 in 1912 to 5900 in 1936
	18056	Ballantyne says that as a result of the policies employed by the Company the employee has shared equally with the employer in the benefits
	18056	Despite a shorter working week the worker of today is earning 65% more per week and has 32½% more purchasing power than in 1920 and this increase has taken place without it being necessary to increase cost of production of goods produced
	18057	Prospects for textile workers are higher wages and shorter hours
	18057	Ballantyne says Company has provided at its own cost pension scheme, group life insurance, accident & sickness insurance, etc.
	18057	Ballantyne thinks voluntary development of better working conditions and services rendered to the employee is bound to increase in future
33	18059	Company was able to provide continuous employment during the depression
33	18059	Average real wage per employee hour rose in proportion as the productivity of the worker increased labour thereby sharing in the increased production of wealth
34	18062	Ballantyne deals with labour conditions work loads and wages of Dominion Textile Co.
36	18065	Number of mill workers employed between 1930 and 1935
36	18065	Number of employees on payroll and number of employees required if each worked upon a full time basis from 1912 to 1936

36-7	18066	Population of mill towns outside of Montreal
41	18063	Establishment of basic wage and standard week adapted from English practice
42	18085	In all cases rates of wages are based upon a 35-hour week
43	18103	Labour policies
43	18104	Number of female workers in textile industry in Quebec, 1936
49	18105	Wage classifications of female workers at Sherbrooke based on standard week of 33 hours
50	18108	Work load and labour conditions
50	18108	Loyer says work required of Canadian textile operatives is somewhat less than would be considered good practice in the United States (Ev. p. 1794)
50	18109	Loyer found general working conditions at Sherbrooke better than the average and considers them good (Ev. p. 1795)
50	18109	Fessenden's analysis of female weavers and spinners at Merchants Branch of Dominion Textile Co. (Ex. 1209)
51	18110	Since 1931 amount of work required of a weaver has decreased due to improvement in machinery (Ex. 1209 p. 25)
51	18111	Fessenden says little with regard to working conditions except that which is found at page 21 of his report (Ex. 1209)
51	18112	Air-conditioning equipment has been installed by the Company at Merchants Branch, Montmorency and Valleyfield
	18113	Air-conditioning equipment is described by Gordon
52	18114	Pensions and Group Life Insurance (Ex. 35)

Labour Conditions - 4

	18115		Gordon says about \$10,000 a year, out of \$73,000 is being paid in pensions out to retired salaries staff, the balance going to wage earners
	18121		In spite of wage decrease in 1933, the workers actually earned practically as much that year as they had earned during the previous year, but they had to work longer hours to do it
	18122		Increased hours of labour was possible because the Company was able to sell its goods at a lower price - Had it not been possible to reduce prices there might not have been as much work available for the workers at the old rates
60	18138		Ballantyne submits that evidence given in Ottawa by five employees of Cotton Division at Sherbrooke and six employees from Hochelaga Mill failed to substantiate complaints made by Albert Cote, President of the Federation Catholique Nationale du Textile (Ev. p. 11528 and 13456)
	18141		Adoption of 40-hour week by Collins & Aikman
55	18124	14390 (E.B.)	Evidence of Mill Employees
55	18124		Number of employees of Company who appeared as witnesses
55	18125		Employees who were examined away from the town in which they worked either had no complaints to make or complaints which did not bear up under cross-examination (Evid. p. 1665 to 1696)
55	18125		Evidence of Rose Provencher was not correct (Ev. p. 4509)
56	18126		Two witnesses (Lamontagne and Riel) stated that with an increased number of new machines the work was easier than it had been with fewer machines and was not too hard (Ev. p. 1668 to 1672)

- 18127 General nature of complaints at Sherbrooke was -
 (1) That number of machines had been increased without a corresponding increase in pay
 (2) That the job assignment was too heavy
 (3) That in some cases operatives were obliged to work before seven in the morning and to do overtime.
- 18127 The change in machinery at Sherbrooke commenced after Dominion Textile took over plant from Canadian Connecticut Cottons (Ev. p. 4623)
- 56 18128 Work load are not excessive-Ballantyne thinks if too much were asked of an operative, it would be found out and corrected
- 18129 Ballantyne does not think workers at Sherbrooke were overloaded although workers had not time for supper and had to eat while working
- 57 18129 Superintendent of Cotton Department at Sherbrooke says there is no overtime work less it is necessary (Ev. p. 2-4626)
- 57 18130 Overtime work generally commences at 6.30 and continues until 10 p.m. - Superintendent recalls only twice in nine years when women employees were required to do overtime work, both being about 1930.
- 57 18131 Workers at Montmorency complained :
 (1) As to sanitary arrangements.
 (2) As to drinking water
 (3) As to ignorance of basis of pay.
 (4) As to lack of provision for cloak and dining rooms
- 58 18131 Five witnesses stated that sanitary arrangements were bad; four witnesses said they were good (Evi. p. 4683 & 4687)
- 18132 Ballantyne says complaints have to be met regardless of the number of workers who make them

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Complaints as to drinking water

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Although dining room and cafeteria are operated at a very low charge, the largest number using it has only been 50. Employees apparently do not want to use it

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No special rooms have been set aside as cloak rooms, and clothes are hung upon pegs on the wall (Ev. p. 2573)

M A C H I N E R Y

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	17710 17724		Cost of machinery 10% higher in 1935 than in 1922
	17711		Heward says natural values of the machinery in 1920 according to their books are still there and are not hiding profits by reason of depreciation
	17746	18922	Variation shown by these three sources in replacement values of machinery
	17788		Verdun plant purchased from Government and new machinery put in in 1920
	17925		Heward does not think Gordon discussed with the Government the fact that Magog mill could not keep up with finishing Sherbrooke goods, etc.
	17965 17970		Mechanization in United States and Canada about equal
	18082		Automatic machinery was installed from 1920 to 1923
51	18110		Since 1921 amount of work required of a weaver has decreased due to improvement in machinery (Ex. 1209 p. 25)
52	18112		Air-conditioning equipment has been installed by Company at Merchants Branch, Montmorency and Valleyfield
	18113		Air-conditioning equipment is described by Gordon
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MISCELLANEOUS

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13	17566	14296	Bluefield Water Works and Improvement Co. vs Public Service Commission of the State of West Virginia
14	17574		State of Missouri ex rel Southwestern Bell Telephone vs Public Service Commis- sion of Missouri
15	17575		McCardle et al vs Indianapolis Water Co.
16	17578		City of Toronto and Toronto Ry. Co.
16	17579 17585		Canada Southern Ry. Co. and International Bridge Co.
17	17586		Ex. p. Moncton T.E. & G. Co. Ltd
17	17586		Wester Tolls, 19 Canadian Ry. Cases
18	17596		Howard submits additional factories should be established to give greater employment
	17599	14901	Howard says that to keep existing compa- nies healthy and efficient there must be threat of new companies entering the field
	17600		Founders of Dominion Textile Co. thought field was over-occupied when they took over four old companies, but production was not reduced
	17603		One of the services rendered by textile industry in return for tariff protection is the giving of employment under fit conditions and proper wages
	17604		List of 507 companies from whom Dominion Textile Co. buys supplies
	17605	14298	Howard says distinction made by Mr. McNulty between a public utility and a protected industry is not sound because both have privileges given them in consideration of services rendered
20	17637		Howard assumes that encouraging of new ventures in industry is desirable

	17661	Inception of undertaking was 1874
27	17697	Between 1913 and 1920 average cost of building and equipping a cotton mill increased from \$37.28 to \$73.02 per spindle
	17701	Cost of erecting and quipping a cotton mill as set out in letter from "Textile World" to Whiteley, Dec. 2, 1936
	17706	Cost of equipping a cotton mill as set out in letter from Ralph E. Loper Co. to C. B. Gordon, January 28, 1937
	17708	Table showing estimated cost per spindle of equipping a cotton mill
	17720 17722	Cost of erecting and equipping a cotton mill as submitted by J.E. Sirrine & Co.
	17745 18925	Heward says Company's cost values to 1290 can reasonably be taken on a pre-war basis because during the war it was very difficult to obtain new machinery
	17745 18933	Estimates of cost submitted by Textile World, Loper and Sirrine & Co. show in 1920 a much larger increase over pre-war costs than was shown by appraisal of 1920
	17746 18922	Variation shown by these three sources in replacement values of machinery
	17750	Heward submits that information obtained from Textile Work, Loper and Sirrine & Co. indicates that there has been no over-depreciation
	17750	Difference of \$4,000,000 between present book value and 1936 insurance appraisal might be accounted for by the extra values quoted by these three informants
	17762	During war there was no increase in size of mills
	17847	No evidence that prices went either up or down after the merger

- 17948 Court prepared by Mr. Gordon showing what happened to prices in relation to the prices of raw cotton, 1904 to 1907
- 68 17918 Howard says it is important to bear in mind that between Sherbrooke and Magog there was a considerable time lag and goods being manufactured in the greige at Sherbrooke might not reach the market for five or six months
- 17925 Howard does not think Gordon discussed with the Government the fact that Magog mill could not keep up with finishing Sherbrooke goods, etc.
- 17944 Obligation of a tariff protected
17948 industry to keep employes working
- 17946 Howard does not consider that any
17948 tariff protected industry can be expected to keep on indefinitely manufacturing goods which they think cannot be sold
- 17949 Howard says it is less expensive for a
17950 manufacturer to keep operating than to close down if goods can eventually be sold. If there is possibility of not being able to sell goods at a reasonable price the remedy would be cessation of operations and not curtailment
- 17960 Standard of living in United States higher wages and shorter hours now being advocated and put into effect in The United States.
- 17961 114,000,000 yards of cotton goods imported into the United States in 1936 while imports into Canada were 97,000,000 yards
- 17962 77,000,000 square yards of cotton goods imported into United States in 1936 came from Japan. In 1935 Japan supplied 36,000,000 square yards of total imports of 63,000,000 square yards
- 17962 United States manufacturers are in a position to set their own standards of wages and hours but Canadian manufacturers are not

- 17963 Exports of cotton goods from United States in 1935 amounted to 186,000,000 square yards
- 17964 United States in spite of higher wages
17965 and standard of living is able to occu-
17966 py first place among exporting nations
18022 due to conditions being favourable to
high efficiency on account of volume of
production
- 17965 Textile exports from United States
are very small in comparison with sales
in their own market
- 17966 United States imports are just over 1%
of its consumption, but in Canada, 25%
- 17967 Charts showing duties on imports into
the United States of grey cotton, colour-
ed and bleached cotton cloths (Ex. 1360)
- 17969 Howard says a very slight increase in
the cost of producing cotton goods in
Canada occasioned by higher wages and
shorter hours of labour in advance of
technological changes would only result
in Canadian mills losing more of the
domestic market to exporters
- 17971 Charts showing relation between volume
of production, cost of production and
profit per pound of production in
Dominion Textile Company over last twenty
years (Ex. 1361)
- 17976 Wages are included in total cost of
production but are not shown separately
on charts
- 17978 Line "C" on Chart CC-1 indicates that
1919, 1921 and 1927 were the more
profitable years in the Company's his-
tory since 1916 while the poorer years
were 1924, 1930, 1933 and 1935
- 17979 Profitable years cannot be judged alto-
gether from charts because it only shows
manufacturing angle and would not take
into account a big rise in value of raw
cotton

- 17980 Gordon says really profitable years were 1918, 1919, to some extent 1920
- 17981 1919 was most profitable year between 1916 and 1937 and 1921 came next
- 17983 Line "E" on chart CG-2 represents the average cost per unit of production to the consumer (customer)
- 17984 After charging full depreciation in 1934, for the first time since 1930, the manufacturing profit per pound was very moderate, but combined with a high production it resulted in the best indicated profit since 1928
- 17985 Unit profit is so low that it requires a great deal of volume to make a profit
- 17986 Advertisement from Fraser's Directory showing materials made by Dominion Textiles for other companies (Ex. 1362)
- 17992 Amounts expended by Company in 1936 for supplies, freight, express & taxes
- 17993 In Budget speech of February 23, 1937 Minister of Finance in discussing unemployment said "The real solution must come and is coming through the expansion of private enterprise based on conditions favourable to the more extensive development of our primary and other industries".
- 18001 Retailer expects and receives a higher mark-up on imported goods than on domestic goods
- 18019 If there was no textile industry in Canada the 63,000 people now engaged in this industry could no longer look to the textile industry for the wages that gives them the purchasing power to buy anything
- 18020 If textile industry is destroyed we must contemplate the creation of new industries or the expansion of existing industries to take its place

	18026		Extinction of the cotton textile industry in Canada would have little effect so far as reduction of costs in other industries was concerned
	18029		Ballantyne hopes that final report will provide Company and the public with information which will show the importance and utility of the industry to the country
	18035		Management costs not included in schedule but is dealt with separately
	18055		Between 1914 and 1920 the management gave the worker better tools to work with and he was able to produce more and earn more
33	18059	15059 (A.B.)	High level of efficiency was constantly maintained by introducing the most modern methods of machinery, thereby increasing productivity and the earnings of skilled labour
35	18065		List of plants operated by Dominion Textile Company
36-7	18066		Population of mill towns outside of Montreal
38	18070		Company has been and is being prudently and economically managed and developed (Ev. p. 12846 and 12859f)
38	18070		Loper says mills are being efficiently run (Ev. p. 1801)
38	18070		Fessenden quotes an American textile expert's opinion as to Canadian manufacturers producing at lower cost by means of up to date equipment
	18071		Ballantyne says the efficiency of the Company has been pretty well recognized as shown by the evidence
	18076		Continued existence and growth of Company is entirely due to its being one of the best managed companies in Canada.

PRODUCTION

PAGE IN HEWARD'S MORRIS'S
BRIEF ARGUMENT REBUTTAL

S U B J E C T

17600 Founders of Dominion Textile Co. thought field was over-occupied when they took over four old companies, but production was not reduced

18052 85% of operations of Company are confined to grey mills

18054 Employer has been able to increase the employees' productivity so that despite increased wages, production has also been increased proportionately

18054 In terms of real wage costs per pound the employer has gained slightly since real wage rates were 51% higher in 1936 than in 1914, compared with a 53% increase in productivity of the worker per hour between the beginning and the end of the same period

CURTAILMENT OF PRODUCTION

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74	17931		Marx was the one who recommended curtailment
	17931		Associated Textile mill was closed on December 16, 1935 and reopened on January 18, 1936
74	17932		Marx told Broad Silk Group that curtailment of the mills would be a safeguard for them until they were able to prove to Government the risks of these importations from Japan
	17950		Curtailment was discussed with Daniels, but not decided upon

SALES OF MILL PROPERTY

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	17487		Dominion Cottons Mills Co. Ltd. Report to Shareholders, 1898 - Company became its own selling Agent (Ev. 5735)
	17495		Annual Meeting, April 7, 1902. Disastrous year due to purchases of cotton at high prices. New management appointed. Selling given to outside firm (Ev. 5751)
	17833		Capital and sales of Company in 1935
	17835		Company would have to reduce its prices considerably before they would be re- flected in price to consumer
	17836	14007	Sales dollar represents price at which goods are sold to wholesaler, retailer, cutten-up, etc.
	17900		Gordon stated he would re-open mill when he saw his way clear to making sales
	17901		Order situation improved when Sherbrooke mill was re-opened
69	17918		Specified and bulk orders in January
	17926		1935 and 1936
69	17918		Explanation of "bulk orders"
69	17919		Orders for future delivery are in a vulnerable position in a falling mar- ket, but bulk orders are in a parti- cularly vulnerable position as the customer by withholding specifications can make them almost impossible of ful- fillment
48	18077		Selling and administration costs in
	18103		first 30 years of the Company's exis- tence amounted to \$10,500,000 during which time Company sold \$460,000,000 worth of goods. Ratio of cost for selling and administration was 2.3%

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Sales of the Company in 1936 -
\$18,859,296.11

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Howard says total orders placed in
January, 1936, were not up compared
with January, 1935 (Ex. 435)

SHERBROOKE MILL CLOSURE

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61	17894		Suspension of operations in Rayon Division at Sherbrooke
62	17895		One of reasons why plant was not re-opened before Jan 23th was on account of King's funeral on 23th
	17895		Rayon Division resumed operations on a part time basis. Prior to closing it had been operating on 48-hour week
	17897		Order to re-open plant was given four days before Commission was appointed
66	17899	13906	Decision to suspend operations at Sherbrooke was made solely by G.B. Gordon, the purpose of the suspension being to mark time until the situation in regard to Japanese competition should be clarified (Ev. p. 2152, 2186, 2188 and 6489)
	17900		Gordon stated he would re-open mill when he saw his way clear to making sales
	17901		Order situation improved when Sherbrooke mill re-opened
	17902	13986	Gordon denied that mill was closed in order to make a demonstration against the Government
75	17932	13985	While Dominion Textile shut-down was an indefinite shut-down it was for the purpose of marking time (Ev. p. 2151)
77	17933 17944		
	17934		Situation improved sufficiently to enable Company to continue operations on a limited scale
78	17935		Letter from G.B. Gordon to Hector MacKinnon dated January 16, 1936 (Ex. 149) re tariff computation worked out by Mr. Gordon
79	17939 17944		Heward says that letter may not have been have been explicit enough about stock situation or order situation, but he does not

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think it was intended as a demonstration to the Government or to intimidate the Government

	17940		This letter to MacKinnon was Gordon's attempt to justify his action in closing
79	17940	13987	Gordon's attempt to justify his action in closing
79	17944		Gordon decided on shut-down purely from point of view of Company's manufacturing and selling operations
	17946		By not running off looms Gordon put himself in a position where he could carry on if his fears of Japanese competition proved groundless, but if his fears were not groundless he would have to stop anyway
	17948		No compensation was given to employees for losses they suffered in 11-day shut-down
	17949		
	17943		If Company could not manufacture goods at a profit, employees would have lost their employment anyway
	17949		Company assisted employees by supplying them with fuel from its yards and guaranteeing their accounts with the suppliers
	17949		Company received the full benefit of the shut-down
	17949		Howard says it is less expensive for a manufacturer to keep operating than to close down if goods can eventually be sold; If there is possibility of not being able to sell goods at a reasonable price, the remedy would be cessation of operations and not curtailment
	17950		
	17950		Curtailment was discussed with Daniels but not decided on
79	17950		Operations at Sherbrooke were resumed on January 29th, the day after the King's funeral

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Gordon's reasons for resuming operations

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4	17432	14842	Bearing of return on investment upon question of tariff protection
18	17559	18858 18861	Adequate tariff is one which enables manufacturers to compete on an equal footing and still make a reasonable profit; also encourage the establishment of new industries
18	17591	18893	Howard accepts responsibility for saying that tariff should be such that it would encourage new investment in Canada in the textile industry
18	17593	18890	Howard says all they are asking for is to be able to compete on equal footing with others
18	17594	18900 18847 18853	Howard contends that tariff protection is not only intended to ensure the survival of those now engaged in the industry, but to procure the establishment of new industries
18	17596		Howard submits additional factories should be established to give greater employment
	17598	18900	Considerable investment has been acquired and unless tariff protection is afforded the investment will be lost. One of the purposes of tariff is to encourage industry to expand and give more employment
	17599	18901	Howard says that to keep existing companies healthy and efficient there must be the threat of new companies entering the field
	17599		Howard admits that with a properly levelled tariff industry can be kept healthy by threat of outside competition and by threat of new industries coming in
	17603	18864	One of the services rendered by textile industries in return for tariff protection is the giving of employment under fit conditions and proper wages

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| 17605 | 18862 | Howard says distinction made by Mr. McKuer between a public utility and a protected industry is not sound because both have privileges given them in consideration of services rendered | |
| 18 | 17606 | Earnings should be commensurate with risk entailed in competitive industry ; there should be stability in tariff protection | |
| 18 | 17606 | 18855 | Manufacturing industry should receive a higher return than a public utility on account of greater risks it runs |
| 19 | 17610 | Value of what it would cost for additional plant for proper expansion is an important element, assuming that it is the desired policy of the country to protect the industry | |
| | 17624 | Howard says that Mr. McKuer's theory that it is improper for industrialists who have received special privileges from the Government to make large profits at expense of consumers is unsound | |
| | 17625 | Mr. McKuer says if an industry asks for something from Government, then the Government has something to say about quantum of privileges that they give them. If industry asks no special privileges, it is entitled to any profit it can make | |
| | 17627 | Commissioner says if any industry is protected it would be a misuse for its protection if it unduly enhanced the price of its product | |
| | 17629 | Protected industry, if receiving a smaller return than industry generally would not be so attractive for investment of new capital | |
| | 17630 | Mr. McKuer says these earnings are more than a reasonable return under the tariff protection they have. Howard submits his figures are reasonable and that it is the value lying behind the investment that counts - not how much stock is outstanding | |

17631	18904	Howard does not admit that he should take into consideration how the value of the investment was built up under a customs tariff
17631		If an industry under protection granted earns more than a fair return, additional capital would be attracted and competition thereby intensified
17635		Howard thinks Government would object if part of earnings was not put back into a protected industry
17646		Howard says return on investment taken on investment and cost and on value of investment has been most reasonable, and that these earnings indicate that existing tariff protection is not sufficient to ensure a reasonable return
17647	18862	Howard says he will deal late with what tariff should be
22	17649	In view of good management Howard thinks they are justified in looking at returns on investment in relation to question of tariff protection as a guide to it. (Ex. 1232)
24	17666	If it is attempted to use alleged earnings on common stock or on a portion thereof, or alleged profits made by common stockholders, companies engaged in the industry would have to be classified according to various types of capital structure and a separate tariff devised for each one. Howard says this is fallacious
17675		Howard submits that even if premises on which the computation is based were not fallacious the computation would in no way support Mr. McKuer's contention that protective tariffs should be reduced
17680		Howard says all their monies come from the consumer; and all taxes form part of the selling price of the goods

	17880	Company paid \$819,541 in taxes to various Governments all of which came from the consumer
	17881 & 17882	Howard says if Company had not had to pay these taxes it might have been able to reduce selling price
	17883	Both consumers and shareholders suffered on account of these taxes
	17883	If tax is added to sales price of goods Company tries to get it out of the goods
64	17898	Value of Japanese yen
71	17904	Howard thinks main object of Ottawa meeting on January 14th was to discuss tariff situation
74	17933	At meeting with Ministers on January 14th, no definite reassurances or definite hopes of any remedy were held out to the delegation
76	17935	Letter from G. B. Gordon to Hector MacKinnon dated January 16, 1936, (Ex. 149) re tariff computation worked out by Mr. Gordon
	17944 & 17948	Obligation of a tariff protected industry to keep employees working
	17946 17948	Howard does not consider that any tariff protected industry can be expected to keep on indefinitely manufacturing goods which the think cannot be sold
	17957	Howard says wording of Sub-section 2 of Section 35 of Customs Tariff Act clearly signifies an intention that other countries with depreciated currencies and unknown costs of production should not benefit at expense of the United Kingdom
	17956	18093 Howard says Sub-section 2 of Section 35 does not empower customs authorities to value goods for special (duty) duty
	17967	Charts showing duties on imports into the United States of grey cotton, coloured and bleached cotton cloths (Ex. 1360)

17987		Heward's submission as to why cotton should continue to receive tariff protection
17996		Although many cloths are made to particular specifications, mills could not economically and successfully operate on that type of business alone and must be supplemented by other types of goods which Dominion Textile could not manufacture and sell at the same prices as similar goods could be landed in Canada if there was no protection
17998	18977	Cost of goods to the consumer if there were no duties or only very low duties on imported goods
17999 & 18001		If 50% of business being obtained under protective tariff was lost manufacturing costs and selling prices would be higher than under existing conditions
18001		Retailer expects and received a higher mark-up on imported goods than on domestic goods
18002		For the consumer to benefit from a lower tariff there would have to be a condition where the textile industry no longer exists in Canada
18010 & 18013		Heward says that assuming that no tariff or low tariffs would result in lower prices to the consumer, the industry in Canada could not survive
18014	18976 18860 18862	Heward says present protection is not enough and they could not survive on anything less
18016		Revenue country received from sales and excise tax on goods other than raw materials purchased by Company in fiscal year ending March 31, 1936, amounted to \$144,244.68
18017		Excise tax on finished textiles coming in to replace Canadian goods would only offset excise tax on present imports of raw materials

- 18017 If the Canadian company operates at a profit it splits that profit with the Government but the foreign manufacturer could not be called upon to do likewise
- 18017 If there were no duties, the only offset to the loss of the industry would be a problematical lower level of prices to the consumer
- 18018 It is doubtful if on the average the tariff today is taking as much as 10% of the consumers' dollar for cotton goods
- 18019 If there was no textile industry in Canada, the 63,000 people now engaged in this industry could no longer look to the textile industry for the wages that gives them them the purchasing power to buy anything
- 18020 If textile industry is destroyed we must contemplate the creation of new industries or the expansion of existing industries to take its place
- 18026 Extinction of the cotton textile industry in Canada would have little effect so far far as reduction of costs in other industries was concerned
- 18026 To be really logical, Howard says, we must be prepared in the interests of increased exports of natural products to sacrifice not only the textile industry but all other industries in Canada which cannot produce goods as cheaply as they can be brought in under free trade conditions from other countries
- 18027 Duty paid on importations of textiles in 1930 was \$30,000,000, the highest since 1920, when it was \$42,500,000. In 1936, it had fallen to \$11,890,000. Lowest year was 1935, \$11,134,000. For nine months of 1936-37, fiscal year it has amounted to \$9,966,000

34	18601	15065 (E.B.)	The purpose of a tariff is to provide additional employment at a scale of wages in accordance with the level of economic development in the country, as well as to round out its industrial activity
34	18601	15066 (E.B.)	If the imposition of a tariff was for the purpose of raising the wage level above the average in similar or other industries then such tariff would not be necessary

WAGES and SALARIES

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17827			10% wage reduction in 1934
18827			5% wage reduction restored
17828			Howard submits if it had not been for revenues from outside investments it would have been necessary to make further reductions in wages and earlier and possibly more drastic reductions in dividends to shareholders
17948			No compensation was given to employees for losses they suffered in 11-day shut-down
17949			
17976			Wages are included in total cost of production but are not shown separately on charts
18 30			Outline of main factors which determine the amount of wages which Company can pay and does pay and the manner in which the wages are paid
18031			Schedule showing difference between income and fixed expenditures and the resulting amount of money or pool which was available between 1927 and 1936 to reward capital and wages (Ex. 1363)
18036			Schedule shows point beyond which Company could not go in remunerating labour and capital without using up part of its accumulated capital
18036			In 1927 pool was over \$7,250,000
18037			Second schedule shows how pool was divided between labour and capital (Ex. 1363)
18037			Third schedule shows respective investment of labour and capital for ten year period and the return of each in relation to 1927.

- 18038 Schedule 2 shows that labour got 65% of the pool while capital received 35%
- 18038 After 1930 as pool became smaller so did labour's share in absolute amount but not in proportion to capital's share due to labour's investment of man hours being less in 1931, 1932 and 1933
- 18039 Reduction in wages rates in 1933 which averaged 11.4% reduced labour's return on its work in 1934. Upward revision of wages in 1934 and 1936 restored labour's rate of return per man hour to old levels existing prior to 1933
- 18040 Schedule 3 shows that by 1933, for every 100 man hours worked in 1927 there were only 70 man hours worked in 1933, whereas for every \$100 earned in 1927, there was still \$83 being earned in 1933
- 18041 For every \$100 invested in the business in 1927 there was \$108 invested in 1933, but for every \$100 which capital got out of the pool in 1927 it got only \$26 in 1933. In 1936 labour got \$99 and capital \$47
- 18041 Ballantyne submits that these statements show, first, the limits within which a company must operate when it rewards labour and capital; second, the manner in which the policies of the Company have operated in the division which was made between the funds available each year as between capital and labour; and third, during the ten years the share of labour in the pool has been increased relatively to capital
- 18042 How labour's share of the pool is divided ~~and~~ among the various classes of labour and among different workers themselves
- 41 18043 Company cannot obtain and employ a particular type of worker unless it is prepared to pay that worker at least the price he could get in some other occupation
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18060 During 1931 and 1932 Company paid
loom fixers 48¢ an hour and in 1933
after reduction of wages, 42.8¢
- 18044 Workers are paid according to the
market value, the difficulty of the
job and the productivity of the worker
- 18045
18056-7 Ballantyne discusses what is likely to
be the probable future of the textile
worker
- 18054 Employer has been able to increase the
employees' productivity so that despi-
te increased wages, production has also
been increased proportionately
- 18054 In terms of real wage costs per pound
the employer has gained slightly since
real wage rates were 51% higher in 1936
than in 1914, compared with a 53% in-
crease in productivity of the worker per
hour between the beginning and end of the
same period
- 18055 Between 1914 and 1920 the management gave
the worker better tools to work with and
he was able to produce more and earn more
- 18056 Ballantyne says that as a result of
the policies employed by the Company the
employee has shared equally with the
employer in the benefits
- 18056 Despite a shorter working week the work-
er of today is earning 65% more per week
and has 32½% more purchasing power than
in 1920 and this increase has taken place
without it being necessary to increase
cost of production of goods produced
- 18057 Prospects for textile workers are higher
wages and shorter hours
- 33 18059 Ballantyne submits that during the
period of business depression marked by
declining earnings, some downward adjust-
ment of wage costs was essential

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33	18059	15059 (E.B.)	High level of efficiency was constantly maintained by introducing the most modern methods of machinery, thereby increasing productivity and the earnings of skilled labour
33	18059		Average real wage per employee hour rose in proportion as the productivity and the earnings of skilled labour
33	18059		Average real wage per employee hour rose in proportion as the productivity of the worker increased, labour thereby sharing in the increased production of wealth
33	18060	15060 (E.B.)	Ballantyne says that the fact that an industry is granted tariff protection is not a reason for which employees in that industry should be paid upon a higher level than other comparable groups
34	18061	15061 (E.B.)	The purpose of a tariff is to provide additional employment at a scale of wages in accordance with the level of economic development in the country as well as to round out its industrial activity
34	18061	15061 (E.B.)	If the imposition of a tariff was for the purpose of raising the wage level above the average in similar or other industries then such tariff would not be necessary
34	18062		Ballantyne deals with labour conditions, work loads and wages of Dominion Textile Co.
38	18071		Average real wage per employee hour rose in proportion as the productivity of the worker increased, labour thereby sharing in the increased production of wealth
38	18072		Quotations from Fessenden's report re wages paid in grey mills of Dominion Textile Co. (Ex. 1209 p. 16, 17 and 18)
39	18073		According to Fessenden's report in 1919 wage increases caught up with the rising cost of living and real wages began to shoot up

40	18074		Ballantyne thinks Fessenden means that people who have followed these wage rates are surprised to find that the actual real wage that has been paid is going up
40	18075 18103		Only 2.92% of total sum paid out in salaries and wages from 1930 to 1936 went to head office executives (Ex. 519)
40 48	18076 18078		Ratio of executive salaries to net sales, 1934, 1935, and 1936 (Ex. 517 and 519)
	18078		Average salaries paid to executives in 1934, 1935 and 1936
	18079		President's salary of \$21,500 is highest salary being paid at present time
	18079		Ballantyne says salaries paid to Dominion Textile executives would be considered small in other industries
41	41 18091	15046 (E.B.)	18081 On basis of what worker could have earned in another kindred occupation, Company could have reduced wages three years before it did, and could have reduced them to a much greater extent
41	18081		Methods employed in fixing wage rates
41	18083		Establishment of basic wage and standard week adopted from English practice
42	18083		Rates of wages paid (Ev. p. 4500 to 4506; 4725 to 4729; Ex. 266, 268, 273, 375)
42	18085		In all cases rates of wages are based upon a 55-hour week
44	18088		Statements prepared by Secretary of Commission showing wages paid in all mills of Company (Ex. 1247, 1248, 1249 and 1252)
45	18089		Exhibit 1238 shows classification as to weekly earnings in artificial silk and cotton yarn and cloth industries
45	18090		How wages are recorded

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18093	18095	Rates per unit of production and rates per unit of piece work-production are now posted in the mills, but not the hourly rates
18094		Gordon says it would be impossible to put all details of piece-work earnings on pay envelopes
18095		Gordon says worker can find out how much an hour or piece he is getting
18096		Employees do not want each other to know their hourly rates
18097	18102	Ballantyne agrees that employees are entitled to find out for himself basis on which they are being paid
18100		All witnesses examined at Quebec swore they did not know how they were being paid
18101		Ballantyne says Company made no attempt to keep it wage rates secret from its employees
47	18102	Relationship of wages to (a) Cost of production, and (b) Total salaries and wages
47	18102	Mill wages form second largest item of production cost
47	18102	Exhibit 1230 (distribution of sales collar 1927-1936) shows importance of mill wages as an element of the sales dollar
48	18103	Exhibit 519 shows relationship of mill wages to total salaries and wages paid for seven years ended March 31, 1936
48	18103	Minimum Wage Laws in Quebec for Women (Evid. Gustave Franco, p. 10722 to 10734)
48	18104	Rates established for textile industry in Quebec
49	18104	For 1935 for industries reported, average wages for women textile workers were sixth highest in Montreal and Outside Montreal they were second highest in the Province

49	18014	Dominion Textile not only complied with minimum wage laws, but wages paid to female workers were considerably in excess of legal minima
49	18105	Wage Classifications of female workers at Sherbrooke based on standard week of 55 hours
49	18107	Exhibit 274 shows that a large percentage of female employees are earning at rates considerably in excess of established minimum rates
49	18107	Highest group rate fixed by Minimum Wage Board is 25¢ whereas the average rate paid for three groups in city mills was 22.51¢
49	18107	Average rate fixed by Minimum Wage Board for groups outside Montreal is 19.10¢ whereas average paid by Dominion Textile was 22.91¢
52	18116	Trend of wages since 1930
53	18118	Reductions of salaries and wages during depression years
53	1811 9-A	While total salaries declines 12.04% in 1933, mill wages (on a full time basis) increased 2.66% over same period
54	18120	First important reduction in salaries was made in 1931-32; head office executive salaries by 9.21%, other salaries by 6.36%
54	18120	Total mill wages paid over past 7 years have averaged 86.26% of Company's total disbursements for salaries and wages, the balance of 13.74% being head office executive, administration and selling & mill salaries
54	18121	Only by reducing mill wages could any real saving be made with the item of salaries and wages

- 54 18121 Reduction in mill wages was not made before Company had completed three successive years of relatively poor business and had already taken drastic steps in the reduction of salaries and dividends
- 18121 In spite of wage decrease in 1933, the workers actually earned practically as much that year as they had earned during previous year, but had to work longer hours to do it
- 18122 Increased hours of labour was possible because the Company was able to sell its goods at a lower price - Had it not been possible to reduce prices there might not have been as much work available for the workers at the old rates
- 18122 15067
 (E.B.) If Company had known that 1934 was going to turn out much better than 1933, it probably would not have reduced wages
- 55 18123 Company has increased wages since the cessation of hearings by the Commission Increase effective December 7, 1936, and restores wages to level existing prior to April 10, 1933
- 55 18124 14990
 (E.B.) Evidence of Mill Employees
- 55 18125 Evidence of Rose Provencher was not correct (Evid. p. 4309)
- 18127 General nature of complaints at Sherbrooke was -
 (1) That number of machines had been increased without a corresponding increase in pay
 (2) That the job assignment was too heavy
 (3) That in some cases operatives were obliged to work before 7 in the morning and to do overtime
- 57 18130 Five witnesses whose pay envelopes indicated low earnings for fortnightly periods had only worked part time

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- 57 18130 Eight witnesses knew the basis of their pay
- 58 18133 Complaints as to ignorance of basis of pay
- 59 18134 Louis Boutet, foreman of the Spinning Dept. said rates per unit of production were given to any employees who demanded them and that spinners knew amount paid per hank (Ev. 2730)
- 18134 Ballantyne says Butterworth, overseer of Map and Cloth Room went to Superintendent and got the girls in his Department a n increase in pay (Ev. p. 2418)
- 59 18134 Boucher and Fremblay, foremen of Card room and Thread Finishing Dept. respectively, stated that all rates of pay were available in their offices to the workers (Ev. p. 3302 3394 and 3395)
- 59 18135 Chamberland, overseer of weaving Dept. stated that amount of production and style per machine is posted and employees may obtain rate per unit upon request. (Ev. p. 3444 and 3445)

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	18915	Extensive overhauling of machinery is depreciation					
	18941	Ex. 329 states that Company took more than sufficient depreciation to take care of actual wear and tear and to cover capital losses amounting to \$540,000 up to 1924					
	18943	Howard says depreciation should be written on cost					
	18943	Table showing summary of charges for depreciation, etc., and average annual charges for depreciation, etc. (Ex. 1372)					
	18944	Estimated and normal life of mill equipment					
	18945	When equipment is placed in a new mill or replaced it is a capital charge but if this equipment is charged to profits the mill is kept up to date out of profits and not out of depreciation. If depreciation is taken on capital machinery at the same time, this makes a double charge					
	18930	Comparison of American and Canadian prices indices since 1920 (Ex. 1371)					

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18830		Share of Dominion Cotton Mills fell to 26¢ in 1901
18838		Evidence of Sir Herbert Holt

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- 18784 Mr. McQuar and Mr. Howard agree that the only scientific method of considering the business and financial affairs is to disregard temporary bank loans, but if a large amount of permanent capital is borrowed from the bank it should be taken in as capital
- 18790 Mr. McQuar conflicts with Dominion Textile Company on question of principle in connection with depreciation and appraisals
- 18802 Howard agrees with Mr. McQuar's basis of studying the record of earnings of the various textile companies, i.e., the percentage of revenue on capital employed in the industry, and net profit on sales

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	18947	Textile industry in Canada has not been imperilled by the sale of Japanese textiles in the Canadian market, and the competition has been inconsequential
	18953	Total imports from Japan, 1934, 1935, 1936. (Ex. 667)
	18954	Total exports to Japan, 1934, 1935, 1936 (Ex. 667)
18955 18957		Volume of imports of artificial silk from Japan in 1936 amounted to \$199,000 out of total imports of \$4,296,000
18956 18958		To have acceded to demands of textile industry in January, 1936, to exclude Japanese textiles would have been detrimental to Canada in view of Japan's purchases from Canada being $4\frac{1}{2}$ times her sales to Canada

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18846 18911	Regular auditors should have been used in in- stead of Glasco
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Shipments by Dominion Textile Company and
others during 1934, 1935 and 1936 (Ex. 1373)

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Mr. Deane is referring to Howard's suggested amendment to Section 35 of the Customs Act states he is looking at it from the point of view of expansion of trade rather than for the further protection of the industry.

